

GOV. COX 'ANGLES' TAFT BY QUOTING PAST STATEMENTS

Democratic Nominee Asks Former President if He Is Not With Harding "In Deliberate Deception."

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 12.—Gov. Cox in his address here last night proposed nine specific questions to former President Taft bearing upon the latter's support of Senator Harding, the Republican presidential nominee. The Democratic presidential candidate gave numerous quotations from Mr. Taft's statement yesterday and past speeches in support of the league. The governor asked whether Senator Harding and the former president were not joined together "in deliberate deception."

One of the largest audiences of the governor's campaign packed the Coliseum, where President Wilson was renominated four years ago. Local authorities said seats were provided for 12,400. Hundreds of persons jamming aisles tightly and window ledges, stood, and many others were unable to enter the building.

An ear-splitting, flag-waving demonstration, lasting eight minutes, was given the governor as he entered the Coliseum, accompanied by Mrs. Cox. It was with difficulty that the crowd was quieted.

Before the governor's arrival a demonstration lasting 15 minutes followed the mentioning of President Wilson's name by John M. Alderson, Democratic candidate for governor. The crowd kept yelling while the band played, until former Speaker Champ Clark, one of the platform guests, was called to speak while the governor was on the way.

Another prolonged demonstration was given Gov. Cox when he was introduced. After it had continued about five minutes with the band playing patriotic and popular songs, signals from the governor finally stopped the tumult. The demonstration, the candidate said, made him sure that "the soul of America is aroused as it was during the war, to meet the present great crisis."

The governor confined his address here almost entirely to the league. Cheers broke into his speech frequently.

"Ex-President Taft," Gov. Cox said, "in a recent statement discusses the proposal of adopting the league of nations by leaving the door open to it, and responds to the suggestion with these words: 'That is exactly what we want. I should like to ask Judge Taft these questions: 1. Did you not in an article to the Covenanter, under the title 'The Principle We Fought For,' discuss article 10 in these words: 'The law of the league with the sanction of the power of the league, thus forbids the violation of the international commandment: "Thou shalt not steal by force." It is the embodiment of the principle that we entered and fought this war to maintain?'

"2. Did you not also in the same article say, 'the Monroe doctrine as originally directed by Monroe was article 10, limited to the aggression of non-American nations against countries of the Western hemisphere?'

"3. Did you not in the same article also use these words: 'Article 10 is one of the great steps forward provided in the league for the securing of general peace?'

"4. You say that the League to Enforce Peace, which you were chairman, had not article 10 in its proposition. Shouldn't you have been more frank with the American people by telling them that your plan really had four articles in it and that your substitute for article 10 was article 37? Can you deny that in your article you provided for the joint use of the military forces of the signatory powers in event of violation of the conditions of the covenant?'

"5. Did not your proposal carry a definite legal obligation to employ forces and in this respect was it not very much more drastic than article 10 of the league?'

Harding's Stand Cited.

"6. You say that Senator Harding has already voted twice for the league with reservations, but you failed to say that your candidate in the last two weeks very definitely announced that if he had it to do over again he would not vote for the league even with the Lodge reservations."

"7. You say that Senator Harding promises that as president he will endorse the covenant without article 10. To whom has he given the promise? Certainly not to Senators Johnson and Borah. Everyone knows that he has not given it to the American people. Has he given it to you? If so, is it not so much in conflict with Senator Harding's recent statement that he proposes from now on to turn his back on the league, with or without reservations—that it joins both you and him together in deliberate deception?'

"8. Assuming that the pledge has been given to you, then may we not answer it with your own words, spoken at a luncheon given by the civic organizations of California, in which you said:

"The gentlemen in the senate who are setting out to defeat this league of nations are those I would not trust overnight."

"9. How do you reconcile your recent statement that the president was responsible for the failure to ratify the treaty with your statement in your Metropolitan Opera house speech, March 5, 1915, as follows:

"If the president insists, as I hope he will, that the league be incorporated in the peace treaty, and brings it back, responsibility for postponing peace is with the body that refuses to ratify it," and also with that part of your speech delivered in January, 1920, at the Academy of Music, Brooklyn, which read: "I am inclined to think that the persons who prepared the reservations as a whole, were shooting down the avenue at the White House."

Judge Taft and Senator Harding were dual objects of Gov. Cox's fire yesterday and in Illinois. In all four of the governor's speeches—St. Louis, Springfield and East St. Louis, Ill., and to his Coliseum crowd, Gov. Cox emphasized that between him and Senator Harding was now the clear-cut issue of "league or no league."

WOMEN PLAY PROMINENT PART IN DEMS' NATIONAL CAMPAIGN



Mrs. Mary Foy and (below) Mrs. Cornelia Wilson Stewart.

From now until election day women will play an active part in the national and congressional campaigns on the Democratic side. Republican women leaders have been active for several weeks past.

Recently the Democratic national congressional committee put five women on its executive committee. These women, who are among the most prominent in politics in the country, and are representative of the different geographical sections, are: Mrs. Cornelia Wilson Stewart, Kentucky; Mrs. Howard Wilson, Illinois; Mrs. Mary Foy, California; Mrs.

KU KLUX KLAN AGAIN FLOURISHING OVER SOUTHLAND

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 12. (By International News Service.)—The Ku Klux Klan, famous during the dark days of reconstruction in the South, has, with renewed vigor, rapidly spread throughout the South and other parts of the United States during the past year, until it now has a membership of tens of thousands and organizations in almost every corner of the South.

Col. William J. Simmons, professor of Southern history at Lanier university, in Atlanta, is the founder of the rejuvenated Ku Klux Klan, the construction of which he has been planning for many years. In 1915, with 34 of his friends, the Klan received a state charter.

The petition was accepted and on Thanksgiving night in 1915 the organizers of the Klan assembled on top of the granite boulder known as Stone Mountain, near Atlanta, and there, at midnight, under a blazing fiery cross, the symbol of the old Klan, they took the oath of allegiance to the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Since the Klan had among its charter members three of the original members of the old Ku Klux Klan it was granted all the legal rights and privileges enjoyed by the original organization, with rights to all its paraphernalia, symbols, insignia, etc., and each year celebrates its anniversary on May 6, the date on which the old Klan was founded.

While it is designed to honor the memory of an organization whose operations were confined to the South and to perpetuate the principles upon which that organization was founded, the modern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is not a sectional institution, for, according to its founders, it must at least have the sanction, if not the active support, of all white, native-born American citizens who love their country and their flag and believe in the preservation of its institutions and ideals.

"While conditions today are not the same as they were when the original Klan was organized," says Col. Simmons, "the need for an organization like the Ku Klux Klan is just as pressing now as it ever was, but along different lines."

"Its purpose is to inculcate the sacred principles and noble ideals of chivalry, the development of character, the protection of the home and the chastity of womanhood, the exemplification of a pure patriotism toward our glorious country, the preservation of American ideals and the maintenance of white supremacy, and a vital perpetual memorial to the men who served so valiantly in the ranks of the original Klan."

"No man is wanted in this order who has not manhood enough to assume a real oath with serious purpose to keep the same inviolate. No man is wanted in this order who will not, or who can not swear an unqualified allegiance to the government of the United States of America, its flag and its constitution."

"Only native-born American citizens who believe in the Ku Klux Klan as a body, and they were working to safeguard life and property, to ameliorate the terrible conditions growing out of the presence of the carpetbaggers and their baneful influence over the negro. After the Ku Klux Klan was disbanded by Gen. Nathan B. Forrest, who was its chief, bands of

thugs and murderers began operating throughout the South under the name of the Ku Klux Klan. They had no organization and no legal standing, and it was the members of the original Klan who did more than any others to suppress the operations of these lawless characters."

An order has just been issued by the superior court against J. B. Frost and others of the Columbia union, declaring that the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan have the exclusive right to the symbol showing a masked and shrouded horse upon the representation of Col. Simmons, who is "Imperial Wizard" of the Klan that he had originated the symbol. Frost and others have formed a separate organization somewhat along the same lines as the Ku Klux Klan.

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OLD WORLD ORDER AT END, HARDING STATEMENT SAYS

Nominee Reaffirms Desire to Form Association of Nations to "Discourage or Tend to Prevent War."

CAMBRIDGE, Oct. 12.—Pronouncing the old order of world affairs at an end, Senator Harding reaffirmed in a statement yesterday his belief that America must play its part in aiding the formation of an association of nations "that will discourage or tend to prevent war, and that will encourage or tend to encourage a better understanding."

Such an association, said the Republican nominee, could be formed without sacrifice of American sovereignty or impairment of the American constitution. He declared his purpose to bring into vouch on the subject the ablest American citizenship, including women.

Explaining why he re-stated his proposal in a formal statement, the senator said that while he was "unalterably opposed to going into the league of nations as that particular proposition now stands," he wanted the American people to understand also "my thought of co-operation."

The text of the senator's statement follows: "It seems to me that there should not remain a shadow of a doubt as to my exact position as regards the proposed league of nations drafted at Paris and submitted to the senate and as regards the great world settlement for a better understanding among nations to discourage war and generally to advance civilization. Let me re-state my position as explicitly as my power of words permits:

"First, I am unalterably opposed to going into the league of nations as that particular proposition now stands. That proposal is contemptuous of and potentially destructive of the American constitution. It is not favored by the American people."

"Second, I am in favor of a world association—call it what you will, the name is of slight consequence—that will discourage or tend to prevent war, and that will encourage or tend to encourage a better understanding among the nations of the earth. The old order of things is done with, not only in America, but throughout the world, and the United States, always quick with sympathy, always just and usually led by common sense, must play its part in this new order."

"Third, I believe that such an association can be formulated without wrecking the constitution that remains the cornerstone of our liberties and of our happiness; without seizing or fleeting the sovereignty that is our pride and our inspiration to fine living and good works."

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the conscience, the ready sympathies, the sense of justice and the plain common sense of the United States can be depended upon by the rest of the world, and that it would be stupid as well as unlawful to attempt to chain our sympathies, our sense of justice and our common sense, to tie these strong, fine, dependable American qualities to the possibly selfish ambitions and aims of foreign nations or groups of nations whose ideals are not the same as ours, never have been and never will be.

"Fifth, it is my purpose, when elected, to take the whole people into my confidence as regards these matters, to seek their advice and, more importantly, to act consistently with their advice, and to this end it will be my pleasure as well as my duty, to call into conference with me the best minds, the clearest minds that America affords. I think I feel that the time has come when I can ask the advice of American women and especially the mothers of America."

"The substance of these things has been said in some form or other in every address and I say it all definitely now, because I am not always fully reported, and I want America to understand my thought of co-operation as well as the abiding opposition to the league proposal."

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HARVARD TO TEACH SINN FEIN LANGUAGE

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Oct. 12. (By International News Service.)—The official language of the Sinn Fein re-

public will be taught at Harvard this year by Prof. F. Norris Robinson, who will conduct two courses, open primarily to graduate students.

Grammar and a general introduction to Celtic philology will be taken up in the first half year; lectures on

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